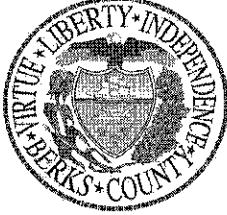


# **EXHIBIT 17**



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Diane Edwards, Executive Director

To: Management  
From: Brandon Witmer, Supervisor  
Date: 7/12/14  
Re: Dan Sharkey Documentation

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Supervisor Brandon Witmer

  
7/12/14

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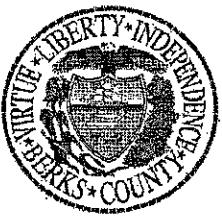
## **Witmer, Brandon**

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**From:** Witmer, Brandon  
**Sent:** Saturday, July 12, 2014 4:27 PM  
**To:** Smith, David  
**Subject:** Documentation

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**Brandon Witmer**  
**1st Shift Supervisor**  
**Berks Family Residential Center**  
**Redacted**



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August 19, 2014

Dan Sharkey about a month ago did approach me outside joking about [REDACTED] E.D.  
[REDACTED] following him outside when he has the post. He stated she would sit near him at which point I instructed him like the other male staff to keep his professional distance from the resident and watch his interaction with her and other female residents. Dan stated something like "Yea, Yea, Yea, I know, I know".

Supervisor Len Kopetsky

A handwritten signature in black ink that appears to read "Len Kopetsky".

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Diane Edwards, Executive Director

8-21-14

Sometime around mid July when I got back from vacation Supervisor Brandon Witmer had told me that SCC Dan Sharkey approached him about a resident that was following him around the facility and making kissing faces at him and that he was feeling uncomfortable about it. Brandon told me that he documented it and that he told him to keep his distance and bring anything else that happens up to management. It was within that same week, possibly the next day, Scc Dan Sharkey approached me in the office and told me the same things he told Brandon and added that she (The resident in question) had tried to follow him into the cleaning closet but he went in and shut the door. I told him to maintain his distance and document anything he felt he needed to in order to keep himself clear of any incidents. I told him if he needed us to augment his post for a particular day ie: if he is the outside post and she is out there and he becomes uncomfortable, then he just needs to call a Supervisor and we will change his post so that he is on camera. He said that it was no big deal and he just wanted to make us aware. This is the last time he brought anything to my attention regarding this resident.

Supervisor  
Jason Mills

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